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Inserting Fixed Date and Time in Excel

Excel's NOW function plugs the current date and time into your spreadsheet. However, it automatically updates your worksheet whenever you re-open the file. There is an easier way to insert a fixed date and time to document when you have added a new data to your worksheet.

<u>Click here</u> to learn how to insert fixed date and time in your worksheet.

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Excel



• To insert a fixed date into a cell – a date that you don't want to change: press Ctrl + semicolon (;) keys.

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L	sample				
2	test	date filed	time start	time end	task
3	sample:	11/8/2013	10:20 AM	10:22 AM	start sample1

• To insert a fixed time into a cell – a time that you don't want to change: press Ctrl + Shift + Semicolon (;) keys.

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L	sample					
2	test	date filed	time start	time end	task	
3	sample1	11/8/2013	10:20 AM	10:22 AM	start sample1	

• To add both date and time: simply press Ctrl + semicolon (;) keys, for the fixed date; then just add one or more spaces depending on you and press Ctrl + Shift + Semicolon (;) keys, for the fixed time.

U	sample			
7	test	date/time filed		task
8	sample	11/8/2013 11:09		sample
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• The next time you open your document, you can see that the inserted date and time did not change.

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sample				
test	date filed	time start	time end	task
sample1	11/8/2013	10:20 AM	10:22 AM	start sample1
	11/8/2013	10:23 AM	10:24 AM	continue sample1

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